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Operating a Master-Slave System  
with a Clock Signal and a  
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

The enclosed Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2004 for the above-identified patent application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee(s) to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (order no. 60809-0057). A copy of this sheet is enclosed for such purpose.